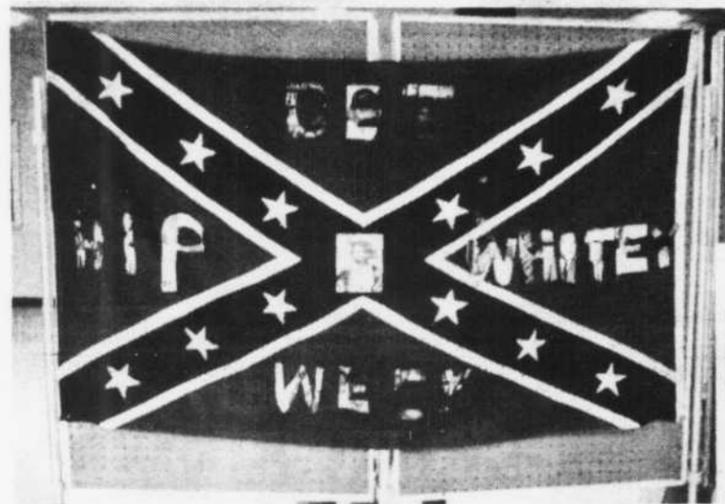




Black leaders

Posters in the Black Student Association display of "Get Hip Whitey Week" depict two prominent black leaders of the past decade, Huey Newton of the Black Panthers and the late Martin Luther King.



"Get Hip!"

"Get Hip Whitey Week" composed of letters depicting black personalities on a background of the Confederate flag serves as an emblem of the week's activities.

Black history courses

McCash notes re-evaluation of past

By Gary Matthews

Bart McCash, the first professor to teach a course in black history at MTSU, believes he is riding the crest of a major trend.

"The single most important thing about the study of black history," says McCash, a 39-year-old white Southerner, "is that it has caused us to re-appraise and completely reinterpret American history as a whole."

EDITOR'S NOTE: This week has been set aside by the Black Students' Association for "Get Hip Whitey Week." Organized to promote interracial understanding, appreciation of black culture, and understanding of black problems, meetings, discussions, displays and a speech by Dick Gregory tonight have been planned. The following feature discusses efforts on the part of the university begun last year to offer black history studies.

McCash's course in Afro-American History was first offered in the fall and spring of last year, and will be repeated next semester. Since its inception in 1969, it has been joined by a second black history course, entitled "Sub-Saharan Africa," taught by Roscoe Strickland.

McCash debunks the popular notion that "the black man only became important with Martin Luther King." The ultimate aim of his course, he asserts, is to demonstrate that black Americans have played a significant part in the development of American culture from the founding of the country to the present.

The professor ascribes the dangerous and widespread ignorance concerning black history to the fact that "the black American is simply not being treated in the usual textbooks."

McCash admits that when he volunteered to teach the course, he found it necessary to bone up on the subject. "I knew practically nothing about it before," he says.

He adds that teaching such a class gave him both the opportunity and the motivation to read widely about a subject outside his special field, which is 19th-century American history.

His survey course in Afro-American history is, according to McCash, primarily a discussion course with a couple of key lectures.

Although a textbook is used to give students an overview, the major course materials consist of paperbacks such as "The Autobiography of Malcolm X," Carmichael and Hamilton's "Black Power" and others.

At least five films will also be used, he predicts.

McCash says the course has evolved a great deal since he first ventured to teach it.

"The first time," he says, "I probably tuned out a lot of the black students by dwelling too heavily on slavery and abolition, when they wanted to learn about contemporary topics such as Black Nationalism."

The second time the course was offered, McCash recalls, more emphasis was placed on recent history, but featured too many student reports and insufficient background information.

Next semester he hopes to strike a balance between both extremes, while focusing on the 20th century in order to make the course more relevant.

McCash has encountered more than enough problems in teaching a black history course.

"What do you do," he asks, "when you have a black student like Sylvester Brooks, who knows as much as or more than you do about the subject, in the same class with a white student who never heard of Booker T. Washington, or doesn't even know the name of the school he founded?"

Another problem, says McCash, is that "I had expected more blacks to take the course."

He notes that it is all but impossible for the average white American to avoid offending blacks through subtle attitudes and remarks of which he himself may be unconscious, but which nonetheless reflect the biases of the society in which he lives.

"For example, the remark I just made about wishing more blacks would take the course probably sounds patronizing to them," he says, catching himself.

McCash also admits that he has at times offended white students taking the course, who frequently exasperate him with their naivete, and who insist on using such terms as "colored" or "niggra," and tend to over-simplify the black man's problems.

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Marxist to speak on Mideast at Free University session

Peter Buch, a Marxist authority on the Middle East situation, will speak at the Free University in the University Center, Room 324, Thursday at 7 p.m., according to Donnie Spann, student member of the Young Socialist Alliance.

The Young Socialist Alliance is arranging the speech which is sponsored by the ASB.

Spann indicated that since 1967,

Buch had appeared at college campuses, speaking in favor of Palestinian self-determination and is now on an extensive speaking tour of North America.

Buch was born in Germany, Spann explained, but his family was forced to flee from the Nazi regime there. The Young Socialist Alliance member also stated that Buch lived and worked in Israel while a member of

Hashomen Hatzair, a leftist Zionist group, but had become disenchanted with Zionism and had become a Marxist.

Spann noted that Buch had been one of the founders of the Young Socialist Alliance and also a member of the National Mobilization Committee Against the War, helping to organize and lead demonstrations in New York and Washington, D.C.

Federal representative

Government official to address students

As a result of continuous efforts by the Associated Student Body government, a representative of the U.S. Department of State will be on campus this week, according to information released by ASB President Bart Gordon.

Edward Blakeley, special assistant to Michael Collins, assistant secretary of state for public affairs, is in charge of the state department's youth participation program. His purpose "is to develop new avenues of communication between the Department of State and young people throughout the United States," Gordon said.

Blakeley will be in the mid-state area Dec. 9, 10 and 11 for a series of dialogues and discussions with the students of Fisk, Vanderbilt and MTSU. The visitor's exact itinerary has not been disclosed, but he is expected to take part in an open forum with students and visit some selected classes for further discussions.

Blakeley joined the State Department in May of 1970. Prior to affiliating himself with the

federal government, he was director of the largest United States anti-poverty training center in San Francisco. He was also associated with the administration of the University of California, Pacific Telephone and Telegraph, and did extensive work with U.S. foreign student groups in Europe and Latin America.

The young civil servant received the bachelor of arts degree from the University of California at Riverside, earned two master of arts degrees from the University of California at Berkeley and Pasadena College, and is getting his doctorate in education at UCLA. During the interim between his educational and professional careers, Blakeley did a four year tour of duty as an intelligence officer with the U.S. Air Force.

"We hope our students will bring some incisive questions to the open forum," Gordon stated. "At 32, he is on top of what is happening among the youth of America and may offer some helpful suggestions from his varied experience," he added.

ASB proposal

Restructure bill faces congress

Both houses of the ASB congress are expected to act on a proposal Thursday night at their respective meetings dealing with the restructure of the MTSU student government.

The proposal, prepared by a joint ASB house committee, is not scheduled to be released before Thursday. It is being made as the result of action taken by both houses to strengthen the ASB, according to Dennis Phillips, sophomore senator and member of the committee.

Phillips added that the committee was formed because the ASB congress realized that the student government could be more effective under a different type of structure.

Although the committee's proposal has not been released, it is expected to suggest that the ASB congress be changed to a unicameral legislature.

Three different proposals to restructure the student government during the past two years have gone before the student

government houses. However, each of these has failed to get through the ASB congress.

The committee, headed by Erskine Smith, senior senator, included members of both houses as well as several students that are not in either house.

The students on the committee who are not in the ASB were named to give "diverse outside ideas" for the restructure, according to Suzanne Smartt, speaker of the senate.

Selective Service system announces deferment drop

The Selective Service system has announced recently the deadline for filing of reclassification into the Armed Forces.

All MTSU registrants wishing to drop their deferments and be reclassified as I-A must do so by midnight, Dec. 31, 1970. Such a request must be received by local boards by that date or carry a postmark dated Dec. 31 or earlier.

The announcement was made by Dr. Curtis W. Tarr, National Director of Selective Service, who issued the instructions to local board personnel.

In particular, the instruction to local boards will be of interest to those MTSU students who hold high numbers in the 1970 draft lottery.

Should a student hold a number higher than 195, which has been set as the highest number any local board can reach this year, it is to his advantage to voluntarily give up his student deferment for

the I-A classification.

Therefore, students with a high draft number will move to a lower draft priority group on Jan. 1, with other members of the 1970 first priority group with unreached numbers.

While recognizing that students holding lottery numbers over their local board "high" could effectively limit their vulnerability to the draft by being classified into the I-A by the year's end, Tarr stated that "The law allows young men to elect whether they will apply for a deferment should be able to drop them and those young men granted deferments should be able to drop them if they desire."

Tarr said the new policy was issued because various boards throughout the country were scheduling their last meetings of the year at different times.

By defining a specific deadline, the new policy allows all registrants an equal amount of time to take advantage of the reclassification offer.

Previous to changing this policy on deferments, students holding deferments were generally unable to voluntarily relinquish them as long as they continued to meet the criteria for deferment, except at the end of the deferment period when they could cancel them simply by not submitting the necessary documents for an extension.

The types of deferments affected by the memorandum are high school and college deferments, occupational deferments, agriculture deferments, paternity and hardship deferments. The I-Y classification, unacceptable for military service except in national emergency, is not affected by this new policy, and students classified I-Y are not able to voluntarily drop this classification.

Tarr pointed out that all deferments are issued for limited periods of time, generally for one year, and that it is the responsibility of the registrant to submit documentation for an extension of this deferment.

Foreign language department making curriculum changes

By Cyndy Johnson

Keeping up with the general growth and development of MTSU is the foreign language department. Several revisions of the present curriculum are now being perfected for final approval before being officially added to the course selections.

According to Dr. T. Coy Porter, department head, the changes have been under consideration for some time, but came to a peak of development only this semester. With the combined efforts of all the foreign language teachers, the proposed courses should be initiated next fall. The changes, Porter explains will hopefully meet the needs for a more meaningful presentation of foreign language literature.

The growing enrollment of students in foreign languages has made it possible for the university to diversify its course offerings, Porter added.

The current system of language class selection is general in presentation, highlighting the main points and providing the student only a brief introduction of a language that might otherwise have been fascinating in a many-faceted method of selection. Under the revision, there will be more specialized fields of study, bringing

greater relevancy and attention to today's society, and bearing more emphasis on the cultural aspects of a language. There will be an integration of psychology and foreign studies selections, particularly those dealing with religion and philosophy as they relate to human thought and cultural development.

In this way, the department chairman feels that there promises to be a conspicuous fusion of interpretation and application of foreign studies, creating better understanding and more room for individual creativity.

The proposed new curriculum, although affecting only upper division classes, will include four entirely new language classes, including French Civilization, 17th and 18th Century French Literature, German Culture, and Spanish Civilization. Two current survey courses, 311 and 312, will undergo revisions as to specialization of material and increased classroom supplements such as more films, slides and texts.

Weems expects student increase

More than 10,400 students are expected to be enrolled at Middle Tennessee State University by 1974 and more than 11,100 the following year, Dr. John E. Weems, MTSU Dean of Administration, announced yesterday.

The university enrollment for 1970 is 8,093, reflecting a 668 increase over the 1969 total.

The 1974 and 1975 figures were included in a five-year projected enrollment for MTSU, the report said. The total enrollments represent both full-time and part-time students.

The largest single increase between academic years is expected between 1972 and 1973, the report noted, with an increase of 6.5 percent, or 604 students.

Projected enrollment for 1971 is 8,732; 9,296 for 1972 and 900 for 1973.

Out-of-state enrollment--now at 470 students--is expected to rise to 630 by 1974, and to 66 by 1975, the report added.

Black activist Dick Gregory to discuss social problems

Black humorist/activist Dick Gregory will rap on "Social Problems: Social or Anti-social?" tonight in the gymnasium at eight.

The second guest in the "Ideas and Issues" speaker series, Gregory is also opportunely scheduled for "Get Hip Whitey Week," sponsored by the university Black Students' Association this week.

Gregory, who gained his initial fame as a night club comedian, turned his attention early to civil rights activism, and the ghetto culture from which he came. Playing benefits and performances for various black related movements, Gregory decided that superficial involvement as a comedian was not enough.

Jailed numerous times, Gregory continues his participation in group demonstrations, because he feels the cause of black Amer-

icans is "right." In 1968, he ran as a protest candidate in the presidential election, as one example of his involvement in the black cause.

Twice vetoed as a speaker at the University of Tennessee, administrators of the state university declared they would not allow "a racist of any color to speak."

The action led to a federal court decision granting a new

Open Speaker policy, however, and Gregory spoke to over 3000 students at UT last April 9.

Consumer advocate Ralph Nader, first speaker in the series, addressed a capacity crowd in the Dramatics Arts Auditorium. Other speakers will be Reid Buckley, a conservative author, the lecturer and brother of columnist William Buckley, and "Lil' Abner" cartoonist Al Capp.

Play tickets go on sale

Ann Petty, publicity chairman for the Speech and Theatre Department, announces that tickets for "Dinny and the Witches" go on sale today at the ticket booth in the University Center. Due to limited seating capacity, all tickets will be held at the box office for this show.

There are no specific seat reservations, she added. Seating will be on a first come, first serve basis. Also because of the limited space, students who make reservations and find that they will not be able to attend are requested to cancel reservations.

Performance dates will be Dec. 11, 12, and 14-17. There will be no Sunday performance as previously announced. Curtain time is at 8 p.m. and tickets will be released at 7:45.

"You Can't Take It With You," a drama club play directed by Keith Bronder, will be presented in the round at 6:30 tonight on the main stage of the Dramatic Arts Theatre. The show will be finished within an hour and allow time for students who wish to attend the Dick Gregory speech to get there in plenty of time, Bronder said.

History department plans Afro-American course

The history department voted last Tuesday to institute a new seminar course in Afro-American history, according to Bart McCash, MTSU history professor.

In order to be accepted, the course must first be approved by the curriculum committee of the School of Arts and Sciences, as well as by the university curriculum committee, said McCash.

The history teacher stated that the seminar, which will be open to graduate students only, is designed to provide prospective

history teachers with a background in the role of black people in the development of American history and culture.

"It seemed a crime that anyone could go into the field of teaching American history without knowing black history," McCash explained, noting that a great many teachers do precisely that.

McCash stated that the course might conceivably be offered this summer, but that if it goes through the necessary committees it should definitely be offered next fall.

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McCash . . .

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Does anyone resent black history being taught by a white teacher? McCash grins. "Probably--but the closest anyone has come to saying so in class was Cliff Gillespie."

"If I have no right to teach black history," he adds, "then a black teacher such as Mr. Lee

Williams has no right to teach about the administration of Thomas Jefferson, because he couldn't possibly know how a white slaveholder felt."

McCash feels that black history, which for so long has been written out of textbooks by white historians, will eventually be an integral part of any American history course. It is ironic, he says, that even black and white history have been "segregated" into separate fields when in reality they are inseparably intertwined.

However, he adds, there will of course always be specialized studies in this as in any other area of history.

He predicts that as black history becomes more generally known and taught in the regular American history courses, Afro-American history as a separate field will be taught primarily on the graduate level.

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DZ Boutique

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Flea Market

Mike Hosey, Old Hickory senior (left), and John Jackson, Chattanooga sophomore, are two of the participants in the ASB Flea Market which is being held in the Tennessee Room.

Funding campaign tops mark

Contributions and pledges to the MTSU Foundation's Doctor of Arts Campaign have topped the \$42,500 mark, according to Boyd Evans, director of development. This amount constitutes some 34 percent of the campaign goal, Evans indicated.

The goal of the campaign, formally announced on Nov. 14, is to raise \$125,000 from private contributions to supplement the university graduate program at the rate of \$25,000 annually for five years.

Evans said the largest single contribution to date is \$5,000, made by Murry Ohio Manufacturing Co. of Lawrenceburg.

Thirteen contributors have been awarded membership in the Foundation's Doctor's Club, Evans added. Prerequisite for membership in the club is a minimum donation of \$1,000. Doctor's Club members include recent gubernatorial candidate Mary Anderson; Wilkes Coffey, Murfreesboro lawyer; H. Lynn Greer Jr., president of Guaranty Mortgage Co. of Nashville; Grady R. Haynes of Haynes Bros. Supply Co. of Murfreesboro; Hiram W. Holtsford, Lawrenceburg lawyer; Carlyle Jennings of Jennings Oil Co. of Murfreesboro and Jack McFarland, publisher of the Murfreesboro Daily News Journal.

Other club members are Will M. Melson, president of Melson Contractors, Inc. of Shelbyville;

Robert D. Sherman of Park-Sherman of Murfreesboro; Cromer Smotherman, vice-president of Murry Ohio Manufacturing Co. of Lawrenceburg; Edward C. Huffman, president of the First National Bank of Shelbyville; Rollie M. Holden of Holden Hardware Co. of Murfreesboro and the Murfreesboro Electric Department, W. E. Landers, general manager.

Five individuals and companies

have provided for graduate assistantships, according to the director of development. Those donating amounts equal to or above the \$3,000 requirement for a graduate assistantship include Murfreesboro Bank and Trust Co., Guaranty Mortgage Co. of Nashville, Murry Ohio Manufacturing Co., Cecil T. Cantrell of Skyland Petroleum Co. of Hendersonville, N. C. and C. B. Huggins Jr. of the Murfreesboro Coca Cola Bottling Works.

Corlew, Folmsbee receive merit honors

Robert E. Corlew and Stanley J. Folmsbee are the recipients of the American Association for State and Local History's "Distinguished Award of Merit" for their "History of Tennessee," published in 1969 by the University of Tennessee Press. This is the highest award given by the national historical group, according to Richmond D. Williams of Wilmington, Delaware, chairman of the awards committee.

Corlew is head of the Department of History at MTSU and Folmsbee recently retired as professor of history at UT where he taught for almost forty years.

Both Corlew and Folmsbee received the awards at a luncheon in Knoxville given by the University of Tennessee in their honor.

Corlew has been at MTSU since 1949. He is a member of the editorial board of the East Tennessee Historical Society's Publications and of the Tennessee Historical Quarterly, and is author of books, articles, and reviews. For 12 years he was a member of the Board of Trustees of Bethel College, ten of which he was a member of the Executive Committee of the board.



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Editorial

Restructure proposal needs study

A committee formed to propose recommendations concerning restructure of the university student government is expected to submit a proposal to both houses of the student government Thursday that is predicted to suggest that a unicameral legislature be formed.

The committee, which was formed by the ASB to study its own reorganization, has been very secretive as to exactly what form the proposal will take and the results of the committee's work will not be known until Thursday.

This proposal will be the third attempt within the last two years, including two which originated last spring semester, to restructure the MTSU student government.

It has been apparent to most people, as practically no one is satisfied with the present system, that there needs to be a change in the structure. It is also evident that the present members of the ASB also believe that a change needs to be made as the student government itself initiated the study which has led to the newest proposal.

However, with all the agreement that a structural change needs to be made, the

ASB congress has turned down three proposals to accomplish this in the last two years.

The composition of the legislature is expected to be one of the most important parts of the new proposal as it has been in the other three. Other areas need to be examined beyond this.

One of these is the responsibilities of class officers. The duties and authority of these officers is limited and vague. Class officers should be given more duties and authority or else these positions should be done away with.

Another area that needs to be examined is the function and power of the student government. The ASB seemingly has the power only to regulate functions within its own organization and to make recommendations to the administration on other matter. If the ASB has more authority, it has not been put to use.

The ASB congress will probably argue and bicker over composition of the legislature on Thursday night, and this is an important issue. However, the ASB should go deeper into the restructuring and attempt to find and implement a change that will allow the ASB to be a more powerful and effective legislative body.

National Perspective

Extensive use of drugs by troops causes concern

Growing evidence indicates that rumors concerning the extensive use of drugs by American servicemen in Vietnam indeed have basis in fact.

Incidents of drugs being mailed home from Vietnam have been repeated across the country, and recently the Veterans Administration established a series of drug rehabilitation centers to aid servicemen returning home from the war area.

This problem of drug usage in the military clearly puts focus on two areas of more general concern within the nation.

Use of drugs in the war zones is certainly understandable in view of the psychological and physical pressures which are present, but it does add a touch of irony to the characterization of young war dissidents as "dirty, long-haired potheads."

This simplistic view exempli-

By Jim Leonhirth

fies the philosophy of many who continue to support the conduct of the war. Just as the actions of all soldiers should not be judged on the basis of those who have allowed the abuse of drugs to influence their battlefield conduct or general demeanor, neither should those who sincerely oppose the war be characterized as anything less because of the personal habits of some members of the movement.

Controversy over the use of drugs, especially marijuana, rages in this country. While there is little doubt that drugs such as heroin, cocaine and opium are nothing but harmful, advocacy of legalization of marijuana continues to be a youthful banner.

It exemplifies the modern quest for personal freedom of conduct and public freedom of morality. Abortion, gambling, prostitution, alcoholic beverages, homosexuality and marijuana are all subjects of debate in state houses in regard to legalization.

To some this is the end, to some the beginning. But to all, regardless of creed or vice, there should lie in their reason a sense of gladness that these issues are finally being brought into the open rather than hidden under myths, misunderstanding and the protection of exploiters.

A final note. Wars dehumanize without regard for personal allegiances, and Vietnam is no exception. It is regrettable that there must be added to that long list of war dead those who have died but will not be buried for 50 more years.

Our Man Hoppe

Nixon ends problems of world by dropping small nuclear device

By Arthur Hoppe

fallout from the mission "poses no danger at this time, except to localized areas of the Western Pacific."

MONDAY--Evacuation of American troops and officials from Vietnam and other Asian areas began this morning. The Pentagon described the move as "precautionary" in view of "a small radioactive cloud in the area."

TUESDAY--The White House said The Cloud was now centered over Guam but "should dissipate within a very few hours." A spokesman said U.S. regrets for any inconvenience The Cloud may have caused had been cabled to American allies in the Far East. No replies have yet been received.

WEDNESDAY--In a televised address tonight, President Nixon said there was "no cause for alarm." At the same time, he paid tribute to "our brave fellow Americans" in the Western United States.

"They were part of our cherished national heritage," he said, "and both Pat and I shall deeply miss them."

THURSDAY--The President, broadcasting from Air Force One at 50,000 feet, said "the short-lived crisis" was definitely over. The Cloud, he said, was now moving out over the Atlantic.

"I know I shall be criticized for having done what was right, as I have been in the past," he said. "But never before have we been given a greater opportunity to build a better and stronger America."

"Each of us, in my opinion, has been given a fresh start. And that goes, rightly or wrongly, for every living American down there below me tonight."

Unfortunately, there weren't any.

THURSDAY--A Pentagon spokesman today confirmed reports that "a small, tactical nuclear device" had been dropped on Red China Tuesday.

He said it may have inflicted "some casualties" on a "little village in remote Sinkiang Province." He said "one or more" American planes were involved.

There was no protest from Peking. Peking Radio has been silent for the past 48 hours.

FRIDAY--Secretary of Defense Laird told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that Chinese casualties "might be somewhat higher than at first anticipated."

He denied, however, that it was an American bombing attack. It was, he said, "an advance retaliatory protective mission" aimed at "saving American lives in Southeast Asia."

The mission was necessary, he said, to prevent Chinese anti-aircraft batteries from firing on unarmed American reconnaissance planes attempting to assess the damage.

SATURDAY--President Nixon was to have told four Republican women from Dubuque at a private White House garden reception that they need "no longer worry" about Red China. "It has ceased to exist," they quoted him as saying. The Pentagon would say only that it was "revising its casualty estimates." One source, however, said, "It won't go any higher than 500 million at most."

SUNDAY--Appearing on Face the Press, Senator Fulbright accused Secretary Laird of having lied to the Foreign Relations Committee. Instead of "one small device," he said, "we rained more than a thousand megatons of nuclear bombs on every corner of China."

Secretary Laird immediately called a press conference to deny he had lied. "Senator Fulbright," he said "didn't ask the right questions." At the same time, Laird said radioactive

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Max Lerner

Nixon's chances for re-election faltering

NEW YORK--Halfway to the end of his term, how about Richard Nixon, his style, achievements, failures and chances? The truth is that his stock is pretty low, his positive achievements nothing to brag about, his failures pretty obvious and his chances for re-election (which once seemed formidable) now faltering.

In the global arena, he has established a pace of troop withdrawal and defused the antiwar movement, but the end of the war is still distant and nebulous.

In the domestic arena, the inner city and campus violence have slowed down, but Nixon's economic game plan is a failure, his 1970 campaign strategy left some ugly scars and he has notably failed to persuade the people that he knows how to bring the country together, or even that it is his first priority.

As a result, there is a leaden cloud on the Nixon horizon. In a burst of candor, Sen. Hugh Scott admitted that in an election tomorrow Nixon would lose Pennsylvania. This might also apply

By Max Lerner

to California, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Minnesota, Wisconsin and probably Texas and New York, to list only the bigger ones. Which is why the Democratic nomination for 1972 has suddenly become a coveted prize and "stop Muskie" drive has developed, with George McGovern as the first tackler and probably Ted Kennedy as the ultimate one.

With 20 months to go to the convention, Nixon must have thought of a rebuilding, refurbishing and redecorating plan. A delightful nugget in Life's piece on the "Young Nixon" reveals the stripling Navy officer as a demon poker player. Which may somewhat explain Cambodia, the recent air strikes over North Vietnam and doubtless the plunging, luckless campaign talk of 1970.

As part of his redecorating, Nixon means (we are told) to have some fresh faces to exhibit to the nation. But I doubt whether

a few Cabinet changes, or even the bruited transfer of Pat Moynihan to the U.N. post, would make much dent on Nixon's image.

The long-delayed retirement of J. Edgar Hoover, laden with years and honors, might. But people are watching not for a change of the guard but for a change of policy in important areas.

If Nixon were to write off his whole economic game plan, and shift from a monetary put-and-take game to a policy of economic expansion along with wage and price guidelines, we would all take another look at him.

The question is whether he is the kind of President (like Harry Truman) who can learn and grow from his experience in office, revamp his old image and take on new stature. Nixon won't ever win the trust of his die-hard opponents, but I'm talking of open-minded moderates and liberals. If he could have done this, he would by now be all but invincible for 1972.

He hasn't and will therefore be very vulnerable. His problem

is partly one of the poker player's delight in babbling and bluffing. He doesn't often resist an adequate temptation to cut a political corner. But that is the lesser part of what troubles me about him. The fact is that many of us have been wrong in seeing Nixon mainly as an opportunist; He has probably been less so than F.D.R. for example.

The larger fact about Nixon is that in important matters he is stubbornly an ideologist, following a deep doctrinal drive within him, much as one of his admired Calvinist models did -- Woodrow Wilson. What both liberals and conservatives fail to see is that if Nixon were more of an opportunist he would today be in less trouble.

This is true in two major areas. One is the effort to conclude a Vietnam peace, where -- right or wrong -- it is his doctrinal recoil from a Popular Front coalition in Saigon that keeps the Paris talks frozen. If Nixon agreed to that, he would get a laying on of hands from Bill Fulbright and Averell Harriman, and he would

find grace even despite Spiro Agnew.

The other major area is economic policy, where -- again, right or wrong -- Nixon recoils from wage and price guidelines not on pragmatic grounds, and not just to keep George Meany and David Kennedy happy, but quite simply because they go against his deep, doctrinal convictions about the automatic workings of the free enterprise system.

If he changed his direction now, what would he think of himself as he looked back to his historic "kitchen debate" with Nikita Khrushchev over capitalism and socialism?

That is why Richard Nixon may get too stuck in his ideology to revamp either his image or his policies.

If I am right, the Democratic nomination in 1972 becomes the golden apples of Paris, a prize to be striven for by the half-gods (if not the goddesses) of the Democratic Party. This goes for Kennedy and John Lindsay, too.

What would be the point of setting your sights for 1976 if the Democrat who might well win in 1972 will still be around then, ready to run for his second term?

Bill Mauldin



CONFEDERATE MONEY

Meanwhile with Lynch

Mother, Nixon, apple pie win again

By Jim Lynch

Once again, my ole buddy, the "Nashville Banner" has gone out and endorsed Mother, God and apple pie. And everything else American except individual thought and freedom of expression. But then, according to the "Banner," that isn't American.

My point of reference is an editorial which was printed in last Saturday's edition of the "Nashville Nonsense" which completely lowered the boom on a young lady by the name of Debra Jean Sweet.

Miss Sweet, in accepting a medal for service from President Nixon, stated, "I find it very hard to believe in your sincerity in giving an award for service until you get us out of the war."

The "Banner" called her everything short of a communist.

She isn't a communist, I don't believe. She received her medal for leading an anti-hunger march in Wisconsin in order to aid the Indian population of that state.

But the fact that she tried to help her fellow man apparently doesn't matter to the editorial board of the "Nashville Banner."

What they are interested in is that she had the gall to tell the President of the United States what she thought about the Vietnam war.

Perhaps the "Banner" doesn't realize that she has that right under the provisions of the First Amendment. Or perhaps they simply don't care.

Regardless of what the "Banner" believes, I have got to give this young lady a lot of credit. It definitely takes quite a bit of gall, if that's

what you want to call it, to stand, face to face with the President and tell him that you don't agree with what he is doing.

But then, that's the democratic way, not the "Banner's" way.

Perhaps if this country consisted of a few more people who had the "gall" to express their opinions, even adversely to the President, we might build up the internal strength of this nation.

Individualism is too precious an asset to acquire. What I can't understand is why the "Banner" fails to realize, over and over again, that this country is comprised of many people who aren't "followers or hangers-on."

My dear friends at the conservative faction of Nashville journalism, believe me, not everyone around believes that Nixon is doing right in the field of foreign policy.

And not everyone feels the necessity of supporting a program which they feel is wrong, regardless of whether it's Nixon's program or not.

Just because Nixon is President, that doesn't make him right. Too many youths have too high of morals to "rally 'round the flag, boys," when they feel that that flag is being misrepresented.

Write on, Miss Sweet, don't let the "Nashville Banner" or any other newspaper control your thoughts. Think for yourself. Maybe others will follow.

Open Column

Greek system becomes 'fantastic fantasy'

And a pseudo-sincere congratulations to you pledges! Some of you are now rounding that last bend to becoming active Greeks.

I'd like to especially commend Johnny Bootlicker. He rated number one in all intra-fraternal competitions. He dug deepest, hardest, and longest in the front yard digging contest while simultaneously swallowing a raw oyster. He further proudly singed 59 out of his 60 eyelashes in the rat court candlelight interrogation. What a believer in his cause! What more constructive group could such a powerful group be utilized? Trudge on Mr. -- I mean Master-Bootlicker.

Johnny's on his toes. He can

By Rita Henderson

now say the names of KEm Fatney, SAEn Riffin, and Walter KAThey in alphabetical arithmetic order.

Johnny sneaks a look at a book. He must preserve his fraternal scholastic image. Nevertheless, this could be fatal! An interested active approaches. "My name is Bobbie Barnard. It has always been Bobbie Barnard; it always will be Bobbie Barnard. Don't you forget it."

Alas, our soulful-eyed scholar has boo-boomed. He's yet to learn the shifty-eyed concentration trick. Besides, which is most important, a future through edu-

cation or attending to soon to be brethren?

Today a dog, tomorrow a brother!!

Tradition is the key word. Great grandfather Bootlicker went through it. Johnny, so can you.

As many churches cling to disproven and antiquated ideas so does the fraternity. Neither are answering the needs of today's youth and pathetic enough, they are dying.

There is yet, much to cling to; the Greek system is built on Christian ideas and brotherhood. What a fantastic fantasy! You did say you were of Caucasian race didn't you Johnny? Whew! What a relief.

Progress for the country. Equality for all. The Greeks would like to be excused from this race. Let us pray: thank God for tradition.

Well, Johnny, before we part, I'd like to say I know how it is; I can truly share in your jubilation.

Before you take that pen, shake that hand-shake and learn that ever so secret and excluding Greek gibber-gab, make a pledge for and with a Greek friend. Help your strongly knit group contribute to the university, the community, and today's nation of youths with steady modification. Pledge to reap what is beneficial and sow the changing times into your unity.

What a pledge!

Campus offers home for drug program

MTSU is the home of the state's most comprehensive drug education program, according to Joseph Sakas, program director. Sakas and the program's assistant director, Dr. Jack Arters, explained that its purpose is "to inform individuals of potential for use and abuse" of drugs.

This is being done through a continuing statewide series of workshops, assembly programs and seminars for students, teachers and parents.

The program personnel also assist in conducting a State Regional Conference on drugs, and supply free informative literature to any Middle Tennessee schools that indicate interest.

The project originated last year when Sakas outlined a proposal for a "total drug education program kicked off by a two-week workshop."

The workshop, held July 20-31 of this year, brought together educators and law enforcement officials from across the nation.

The main result of the workshop was the development of a "Curriculum Guide for Drug Education" for grades 1-12.

Sakas described this gathering as "one of the few times police and educators have worked together toward a common goal."

The drug education program, which has an operating budget of \$20,000, is funded by the Law Enforcement Planning Agency and the university on a 60-40 percentage basis, respectively.

Sakas believes that drug abuse will reach its peak in Mid-

By Gary Matthews

dle Tennessee in about two years. One aim of the program, he stated, is to prevent such abuse from reaching epidemic proportions.

Arters pointed out, however, that the program draws a clear distinction between drug use and drug abuse. "It is very important to be objective in presenting the pros and cons of drug usage," he said.

Arters believes that much of today's drug abuse, especially among youth, stems from lack of information, and from the fact that drugs are the "in thing" at this time. "The power of group conformity can't be overestimated," he stated.

Regarding legalization of marijuana, Arters declares that trying to enforce existing marijuana laws is costly and causes many social problems.

"On the other hand," he says, "we don't yet know all the facts about marijuana--what if it's really true that it causes genetic damage?"

He concludes that marijuana legalization should at least be postponed until its effects are more completely understood.



'Dinny' to open

Dan Radojevic as Jake, Ronnie Burns as Ben, Bob Trebing as Stonehenge, and Clark Tucker as Dinny rehearse a scene from "Dinny and the Witches." The arena theatre production opens Friday night for a six night run, excluding Sunday.

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K-Mate member drive appears successful

A recent membership drive for K-Mates, MTSU's women's service organization, proved to be a tremendous success with nearly 100 female students applying for membership. This interest may be due to the numerous accomplishments the relatively new organization can boast, according to President Sharlena Phillips.

Miss Phillips, the past and founding president of K-Mates expressed enthusiasm and satisfaction over the acceptance and effectiveness of this women's organization. "The purpose of this club--to indiscriminantly gather a cross-section of MTSU female students to serve the university and community--has been properly carried out," she stated.

Currently K-Mates are working with 15 children from the McFadden area. According to Mary Brockman, current president, these children go to the home of Mrs. Floyd Bray on King's Highway after school. For numerous years Mrs. Bray has been working with these young children in studies, arts and crafts, and various areas of interest. K-Mates are now helping Mrs. Bray. Some of the girls help the students get their homework; those with domestic inclinations teach the little girls to sew.

With the approach of Christmas, K-Mates are helping the children make presents for their parents. Pencil holders and decorated plaques are being designed for work. The K-Mates bring the needed supplies, let the children choose the pictures, and help them paste and stain. A behind the scenes project, initiated last Tuesday, is candy-filled stockings with each child's name on them.

Further plans concerning these children included the financing of wood for some wall to wall bookshelves in Mrs. Bray's home. This will facilitate their studying and offer more room for their individual projects.

Miss Brockman proudly evidences K-Mate campus involvement by enumerating the various undertakings and plans for the university.

Ten litter barrels currently under storage have been secured. K-Mates will paint and locate these barrels over the campus. Bart Gordon, ASB president, enthusiastically pushed and approved this project as K-Mates' contribution to campus beautification and ecology.

In an effort to make Christmas more enjoyable for needy families in Murfreesboro, K-Mates have decorated a large box and put it outside the University Center Grill. Judy Blankenship, K-Mate in charge of this charity project, urges students to contribute to this worthy cause. She informed that letters have been sent to campus fraternal organizations asking for their support and specifying needed articles as razor blades, soap, and children's underclothing as necessary items. These are articles which cannot be purchased with food stamps. "Any items of course will be greatly appreciated and, we will see that they are channeled to the appropriate people," Miss Blankenship concluded.

K-Mates additionally serving as hostesses for the annual ASB Christmas party to be held Dec. 16. They are also instrumental in the preparations for the opening of the coffee-house scheduled for Dec. 10. Washing windows, cleaning, and making curtains are only a few of their duties. After it opens, K-Mates plan to answer many of its operational needs.

"There are many more areas which the K-Mates would like to service, but that will require more time and organization. We have to remember that we are a new organization; involvement in too many areas could hurt our effectiveness," said Miss Brockman.

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Tech Consortium

Area schools join in experiment

By David Burger

LaLance to speak on 'Talkback Telephone'

Dean of Students Robert LaLance will be the guest of WMOT's "Talkback Telephone" Thursday afternoon at 4, according to Pat Jones, WMOT program director.

LaLance will be interviewed on the program by station director Doug Vernier and will answer questions called in by listeners, Jones said.

Young Socialist Alliance plans discussion

A meeting of the Young Socialist Alliance will be held in the University Center Wednesday to discuss such topics as black liberation, anti-war and women's liberation movements.

The meeting will be held at 5 p.m. in Room 308 and is open to all interested students.

Gregory speech to be forum topic

Dick Gregory's speech tonight will be discussed in an open forum Thursday of this week. The forum will be held in Room 312 of the University Center, according to president Gordon Taylor, and will be led by two seminarians from Sewanee University.

Bridge Club to hold election meeting

The second meeting of the MTSU Bridge Club will be on Thursday, Dec. 17 at 12 noon in Room 324 A of the University Center. All interested students and faculty are invited to attend. Business will be the election of officers.

Kappa Pi plans art show

Work to be auctioned in the sale sponsored by Kappa Pi national art fraternity this Saturday, Dec. 12, is being accepted in the Art Barn by Danny Coulter and fraternity president Rhea Cole. The auction, which will begin in the auditorium of the Agriculture Building at 1 p.m., will continue until all work is sold. Profits from the auction are to be divided equally between artists and Kappa Pi.

Local students initiate Sunday morning club

It's Sunday morning, your head is a little fuzzy from the night before, you desperately need a cup of coffee, you could stand to eat a little breakfast, so what do you do?

You join the Sunday Morning Breakfast Club, that's what you do. Originated by Carl Berning and David Hardison, two MTSU students, Sunday morning is celebrated by having half of the world over to their apartment for breakfast.

Admission to the festivities is simply to bring something to eat. Berning, senior from Chattanooga, explained that the breakfast club was thought up, just to keep the fun of the week-end going a little longer.

Attended regularly by members of the MTSU administration, including Dean of Housing Sam McLean and Security Director Matthew Royal, the Sunday Morning Breakfast Club is open to anyone and everyone, stated Berning. All they have to do is come and contribute something to the menu, he noted.

Chief chef of the group is Miss Carol Norville, Alamo sophomore, who explained that cooking for as many as 35 to 40 people can become a hassle,

By Jim Lynch

but it's all in fun so she doesn't even notice the small beads of perspiration on her forehead.

As many as 120 pancakes, three pounds of bacon, two gallons of milk, several bottles of syrup, three pounds of butter, several dozen eggs, and countless cups of coffee have been consumed by the group at a normal breakfast which lasts anywhere from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

What better way to begin Sunday than a good breakfast with a bunch of congenial people. It's that way every Sunday morning at Berning's and Hardison's Hidden Acres apartment.

On the shores of Center Hill Lake eight miles north of Smithville, several area schools are participating in an experiment in co-operation. This effort, the Tech Aqua Development Consortium, is operating under the direction of Tennessee Tech.

The project, initiated last spring, includes: MTSU, David Lipscomb College, Peabody, Tennessee State, University of the South, Western Kentucky, Belmont, Fisk, Trevecca and Vanderbilt. Each of these schools has a three-year contract with the development. In addition to their contributions the National Science Foundation granted the bulk of the funds.

The program is on a testing basis during the three year period to ascertain its effectiveness and to determine the adequacy of existing funds. No additional schools will be added to the Consortium project until these facts have been determined, according to Gerald Parchment, MTSU member of the consortium advisory group. On the basis of this evaluation, contracts will be renewed or terminated and applications for new members accepted.

The biological station occupies 550 acres of land on the site of the old Camp Relax. Facilities completed or under construction are girls and boys dormitories, two laboratories, four staff houses and one for a permanent resi-

Blood drive enthusiasts make bet

One result of the blood drive scheduled for today and Wednesday may be an interesting half-time show for the Dec. 10 Blue Raider basketball game, according to Colonel Vern Reaugh.

Reaugh indicated that the military science department has challenged the industrial arts department to donate a larger percentage of blood in the drive with the head of the losing department being obliged to push a basketball across the floor with his head or nose at the half-time of the Dec. 10 game.

This faculty contest, Reaugh said, like the student competition will, hopefully, help to stimulate interest in the blood drive scheduled from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the top floor of the University Center.

Part of the student competition, according to Duane Fogleson, president of Track and Sabre, is the placement of the winner's name on a plaque donated by the Coca-Cola Bottling Company and which will be placed in the ASB office.

Fogleson has also indicated that leadership lab for today has been cancelled in order that cadets may participate in the blood drive.

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Sykes, Riley star

Two have whole show

After opening the season with a pair of convincing wins, one would think head basketball coach Jimmy Earle would be all smiles. This, however, is not the case.

"I'm afraid we are developing into a two-man team, and that's not good," declared Earle as he looked over the stats of the Raiders' most recent triumph, a 77-58 trouncing of Troy State. "Herman Sykes and Ken Riley have been practically the whole show so far," Earle pointed out. "Several others have looked good in spots, but nothing consistent. I'm afraid we are going to miss Jimmy Drew a lot more than people realize."

Sykes, a 6-0 junior guard from Kansas City, has been the high scorer for the Raiders in both games thus far, getting 16 against Tusculum and pumping in 26 in the Troy game. Riley, a 6-5 senior forward from Nashville, has been right behind him with 14 and 22 points, respectively.

Riley is also second in rebounding, pulling in 22 in two games, only three less than 6-10 sophomore center Chester Brown.

Earle has announced that he will redshirt Drew, a 6-3 guard

from Springfield, Ill., for the rest of the season. Drew broke his foot in two places in the first half of the Tusculum game and watched the Troy game from the bench with his leg in a cast. He was a starter last season as a sophomore, and wound up the campaign as MTSU's leading scorer.

MTSU now turns its attention to Shorter College, the last pre-OVC game on the Raider schedule.

"We have a lot of rough spots to smooth out in that game, a lot of things to prove we can do before we hit the road in the OVC," Earle stated.

Although MTSU held the rebounding edge in both games, Earle was far from pleased.

"When we run into someone with some size, we'll be in a lot of trouble if we don't rebound any better than that," emphasized Earle.

MTSU will host Shorter in their last pre-holiday encounter. After Shorter, the Raiders jump headlong into the tough OVC with road trips to Tennessee Tech and East Tennessee on Jan. 2 and Jan. 4, respectively. -- Jim Freeman.

Raiders topple Troy State

Three Blue Raiders hit in double figures, Middle Tennessee State won its second straight encounter of the young season, and Jimmy Earle went away with a smile on his face Saturday night as his Blue scored a 77-58 victory over Troy State.

There was never any doubt as the flashy offense the second-year coach has put together got the nets humming and the still tough defense controlled the boards.

Herman the "Worm" (Sykes) collected 26 points in his second game of the year and has every-

average and went away with one point.

Many fans are already comparing his ball handling ability with that of Tommy Brown, who was a guard on the 1969 squad. But in the opinion of this writer, Sykes' ability far exceeds that of Brown. Sykes can shoot as well as dribble and Brown couldn't do that.

All-OVC forward Ken Riley had one of his good nights with a 22 point performance. But his 14 rebounds brought smiles to the coaches, as they are smaller this year than they have been in some time.

Riley hit on only six of 11 free throws, however, while the team also had a bad night, making only 17 of 27 from the charity line.

The other Raider to be in double figures was the fast Stan Sumrell, who had 10 from his guard position. Sumrell is looking better than he has in some time. He is a former decathlon champion and has speed to burn, making him and Sykes one of the best guard-combinations in the league at the moment.

Others scoring were Chester Brown, the 6-10 center, with six, Derry Cochran and Percy Hairston with four, and Terry Johnston with three.

In the preliminary game, Mason Bonner, the standout guard from Tusculooosa, hit for a remarkable 30 points, but his efforts were in vain as Volunteer Structures beat the frosh by a 77-75 margin.

This is the second close loss for Ray Rich's squad.

The varsity entertains Shorter College Thursday night, while the freshmen will play the tough Cumberland Junior College team. The frosh game will begin at 5:30 with the varsity game beginning at 7:30.

By Gary Davenport

one amazed at his uncanny ability to score when the going gets tough.

His defense in the first game was a sight to behold, as the Tusculum guard came into the game with a 22 point scoring

Scott, Smith elected track team captains

Terry Scott and Erskine Smith, both seniors, have been elected co-captains of Middle Tennessee State's 1970-71 track team.

Scott, a multi-event performer from Cleveland, is a former basketball star who didn't run track until his sophomore year. With basketball now behind him, he has spent the entire year concentrating on track.

Honors won by Scott include two Outstanding Athlete Awards (1968 and 1969) at the annual All-Sports Banquet. He has held both the long jump and triple jump records at MTSU, and also ran a leg on the 1969 mile relay team which set an Ohio Valley Conference record of 47.2 seconds.

He is also a member of school record 880, sprint medley and mile relay teams. He is the Tennessee Intercollegiate champion in the long jump, and placed in four events in the Ohio Valley Conference meet in 1970. He was fourth in the long jump, third in the triple jump, and ran

legs on the second-place mile relay team and third-place 440 relay team.

Scott is a prime candidate for Trackman of the Year in the OVC.

Smith, from Murfreesboro, is a dashman. MTSU coach Dean Hayes spotted him in an intramural meet and invited him out for the team.

He has run a 9.8 in the 100 and 21.8 in the 220. Smith ran anchor leg on the school record 440 relay team (41.4), and has run 49.9 leg of mile relay indoors. He also has a 6.3 60 yard dash to his credit.

Smith is the defending champion in the 220 yard dash at the University of Chicago Track Club Holiday Meet. He will run the 440 and lead off on the mile relay this season.

"Both of these boys will give us excellent leadership," stated Hayes. "They are both real competitors and do their best against tough competition. Oddly enough, they are both walk-ons, too."



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